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HIGHLIGHTS

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH – August 1-31

In conjunction with National Immunization Awareness Month, the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) is encouraging Missourians to take some time to contact their health care provider to ensure themselves, children, and family members are adequately immunized. The observation is held annually to highlight the importance of protecting all individuals from vaccine-preventable diseases. The DHSS has developed resources targeted at increasing awareness on the importance of immunizations for adults, adolescents, and children. These resources are available at no cost and can be ordered at health.mo.gov/immunizations; click on the [National Infant Immunization Week \(NIAM\) link](#) to view the educational resources, or you may call 573-751-6124. Additionally, electronic messages are being distributed statewide and social media messages are being released on Facebook and Twitter.

DHSS AUGUST VISITS TO LPHA JURISDICTIONS

The August report of the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) scheduled visits to the local public health agency (LPHA) jurisdictions has been posted, on the Center of Local Public Health Services (CLPHS) **intranet page**. This report is being shared at the request of the Director’s Advisory Council (DAC), in order to provide information, should LPHAs receive questions from local constituents. DHSS programs will notify the LPHA directly with any additional visits scheduled after publication of the August information.

“LIVE TO BE 100” FUN RUN/WALK – Cole County Health Department

The [Cole County Health Department](#) is celebrating a Century of Service in 2016! To commemorate our 100th Anniversary, we will be hosting a Fun Run/Walk on August 13. The Run will begin at 9:00 am and participants will have the choice of a one mile or three mile track through downtown Jefferson City. Also, kids will be invited to participate in 10 fitness stations. All participants will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Proceeds from this event will go to the United Way of Central Missouri. Please note that if you are registered before August 1, you are guaranteed a t-shirt and swag bag! Attached, please find the “Live to be 100” [registration form](#) and [flier](#).

LPHA Job Opportunities

Links to Valuable Resources

- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [Directory of LPHAs](#)
- [Area Agencies on Aging & Services](#)
- [Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies](#)
- [Missouri Institute for Community Health](#)
- [Missouri Public Health Association](#)
- [CDC's Weekly Scientific Digest](#)
- [CDC Environmental Health Training Resources](#)
- [FDA Environmental Health Training](#)
- [Missouri Health Information Technology \(MO HIT\) Assistance Center](#)
- [Ozark Public Health Institute](#)
- [Heartland Centers](#)
- [Midwest Public Health Training Center](#)

NEW! TICK AND MOSQUITO FLIER IS NOW AVAILABLE IN PRINT

The new *Mosquitoes and Ticks Can Spread Disease* [flier](#) has been printed. To order the flier, please go to the Office of Veterinary Public Health's tick and mosquito [on-line order form](#). Orders are limited to 50. Please also check out new fliers on tick and mosquito bite prevention topics, such as insect repellent usage, Zika, and pregnancy travel recommendations.

BEYOND THE SCOPE NEWSLETTER– The Missouri State Public Health Laboratory

The Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL) would like to share with you their Spring/Summer edition of *Beyond the Scope*. The newsletter can be accessed by clicking the link to the [SPHL website](#) and selecting *Beyond the Scope* under *Hot Topics*. Past newsletter editions can be found under the *Related Links/Newsletters* link on the SPHL home page. Thank you and we hope you enjoy!

ATTENTION: STATE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY IMPLEMENTING NEW INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (MSPHL) is in the process of implementing a new Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) in its blood lead testing laboratory. The LIMS will provide the laboratory with improved sample management capability, improved data integrity, and reduced potential for human data entry error. In addition, the system will provide improved reporting capabilities, including a web portal that MSPHL clients can use to view and print their own test results in real time. For more information please read [MSPHL Blood Lead LIMS Implementation](#). If you have any questions, please contact the MSPHL Chemistry Unit at 573-751-3334.

STRIVE FOR 5! HELP PRETEENS AND TEENS STAY HEALTHY FOR A GOOD START TO ADULTHOOD!

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services' (DHSS) Preteens, Teens, & Vaccines campaign resources are available to help raise awareness of the importance of preteen and teen immunizations. Tools and resources for this campaign include bookmarks, a poster, a tip card, fact sheets, and a tool kit which contains evidence-based strategies to improve immunization awareness. They are available at no cost and can be ordered at health.mo.gov/immunizations or by calling 573-751-6124.

WIC UPDATES

The WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC webpage. You can view the updates at <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php>. This week's updates include:

- Immunization Webinar
- Microcuvette and Analyzer - Response Required
- Reminder - Nutrition and WIC Coordinator Training - August 22-24

DHSS CORNER

DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:

CLASS RECRUITMENT OPENING

The following class has been extended through **August 16**:

- **Research Analyst III**

The following class has been issued with an opening date of July 21, a closing date of **August 9**, and a first addition date of **August 4**:

- **Public Health Consultant Nurse**

The following class has been issued with an opening date of July 22 and a closing date of **August 5**:

- **Environmental Engineer IV**

Interested applicants must apply and be determined eligible for the classification by completing an application at <https://www.ease.mo.gov/>. The above opportunity can be viewed at <http://oa.mo.gov/personnel/classification-specifications/>.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

BUILDING A BRIDGE TO A BETTER WORLD BREASTFEEDING CONFERENCE – August 26

The Greater Ozarks Regional Breastfeeding Coalition invites you to attend a Breastfeeding Conference: *Building a Bridge to a Better World*, on Fri, August 26, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield. Dr. Christina Smillie will be featured as the keynote speaker. The conference will focus on promoting breastfeeding, by providing participants with the tools needed to address the most common barriers that women encounter with breastfeeding. It will be suited for all professionals, clinicians, and community workers who work with breastfeeding families. Please see the attached [registration form](#), or e-mail ozarksbreastfeeding@gmail.com for more information.

STATEWIDE PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE – March 21-22

SAVE-THE-DATE! The Department of Health and Seniors Services (DHSS), Center for Local Public Health Services (CLPHS) announces a two-day conference, on March 21 and 22 in Jefferson City at the Capitol Plaza Hotel. The target audience is local public health administrators and staff as well as DHSS staff. This conference will provide a statewide opportunity for sharing information between local and state public health staff as well as training and education. Please mark your calendars for March 21 and 22 and watch the Friday Facts for the upcoming brochure and registration information.

For other training opportunities, please see [Links to Valuable Resources](#) that is on Page 2 of this Friday Facts publication.

LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST – Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services

The Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services is accepting applications for an Environmental Public Health Specialist (EPHS) to join the department's Environmental Health Division. This full-time position reports to the Environmental Public Health Supervisor and includes professional work promoting community environmental health by educating, assessing, and enforcing public health sanitation laws and regulations. This position also investigates complex public health issues. Possession of a Bachelor's degree in Health Sciences, or a closely related field with at least 30 semester hours in one of the following: physical and biological sciences, biology, chemistry, bacteriology, food science, soil science, environmental health or closely related physical or natural science, or any equivalent combination of education and experience which would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities. A complete job description, salary information, and an on-line application are available at <https://www.gocomojobs.com/postings/14302>. The City of Columbia is an equal opportunity employer and requires pre-employment drug testing.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH SPECIALIST SUPERVISOR – Jefferson County Health Department

The Jefferson County Health Department is accepting resumes for the position of Environmental Public Health Specialist I (EPHS I). Minimum requirements for this position include graduation from an accredited four-year college or university, with substantial course work (30 semester hours minimum) in environmental health; biology; bacteriology; or sanitary science or a combination of these areas. Additionally, one year of recent experience in lodging and food establishment inspections is required. For this position, bilingualism is a plus. Please see our website at www.jeffcohealth.org, for further details. Our benefit package includes paid vacation, holidays and sick time, LAGERS Retirement system, and health and dental insurance. Please send your resume to the Jefferson County Health Department, Attn: Human Resources Department, PO Box 437, Hillsboro, MO 63050. Alternatively, resumes may be e-mailed to jeana.vidacak@jeffcohealth.org. The Jefferson County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, color, race, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state laws.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – Nodaway County Health Center

The Nodaway County Health Center seeks candidates for the position of part-time Public Health Nurse. This position would be for 16 to 24 hours per week. Job duties will include immunization administration, communicable disease prevention, and other public health services. Candidates must have a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN) and a current Missouri Registered Nursing (RN) license. Candidates with at least three years of experience in public health are preferred. Candidates must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, as well as organizational skills. Please submit resumes to Tabitha Frank, Public Health Nurse Supervisor, Nodaway County Health Center, 2416 South Main Street, Maryville, MO 64468. Resumes must be received before July 29.

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE – Springfield-Greene County Health Department

Become a part of an award winning team! The Springfield-Greene County Health Department has an opening for a full-time Community Health Nurse. For the complete list of job duties; qualifications; salary range; and details on the option to underfill, please visit our website at www.springfieldmo.gov/jobs. The City of Springfield accepts on-line applications only. We are an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, status as a protected veteran, or status as a qualified individual with disability.

PUBLIC HEALTH INVESTIGATOR – Springfield-Greene County Health Department

Become a part of an award winning team! The Springfield-Greene County Health Department has an opening for a full-time Public Health Investigator. For the complete list of job duties; qualifications; and salary range, please visit our website at www.springfieldmo.gov/jobs. The City of Springfield accepts on-line applications only. We are an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, status as a protected veteran, or status as a qualified individual with disability.

WIC NUTRITIONIST – St. Francois County Health Center

The St. Francois County Health Center in Park Hills has an opening for a full-time Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutritionist. This position will require a minimum qualification of a Bachelor's degree in Public Health Nutrition, Dietetics, Home Economics, or another closely related field from an accredited college or university. A minimum of 15 earned credit hours in Food and Nutrition, including at least one course in diet therapy and one course in community nutrition will also be required. The ideal candidate must be dependable and self-motivated. WIC experience is preferred but is not required. Please submit resumes to Debbie Hoehn, RNC, Director at debbie.hoehn@sfchealth.org. The application and job description is available at sfchc.org. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled. The St. Francois County Health Center is an equal opportunity provider.

BILINGUAL ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK – Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) seeks a Bilingual Administrative Clerk. This position will be for 32 hours/week. Minimum requirements for this position include being bilingual in Spanish and English, both oral and written, and possession of a high school diploma or GED. It would be a plus if the candidate in this position was a multi-tasker with excellent computer and customer service skills. TCHD provides a comprehensive benefits package which includes paid vacation, holidays, sick time, LAGERS Retirement system, and health and dental insurance. To apply, please send a completed job application, letter of interest, and resume to Taney County Health Department, Attn: Human Resource Department, 320 Rinehart Rd, Branson, MO 65616. Alternatively, application items may be submitted to tiffany.stevens@lpha.mo.gov. For essential job duties and a job application, please visit <http://www.taneycohealth.org>. The Taney County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, color, race, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state laws.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST – Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) seeks a full-time Community Development Specialist. Responsibilities include community coalition building, grant writing, community health assessments, community health program development, chronic disease prevention, and social marketing. Experience in public health, community development, group facilitation, program design/implementation/evaluation, coalition development or active participation, and grant writing and/or management is a plus. A Bachelor's or Master's Degree in public health, health and wellness, community development, sociology, or a related field is preferred. TCHD provides a comprehensive benefits package which includes paid vacation, holidays, sick time, LAGERS Retirement system, and health and dental insurance. The deadline to apply is August 26. To apply, please send a completed job application, letter of interest, and resume to Taney County Health Department, Attn: Human Resource Department, 320 Rinehart Rd, Branson, MO 65616. Alternatively, application items may be submitted to tiffany.stevens@lpha.mo.gov. For essential job duties and a job application, please visit <http://www.taneycohealth.org>. The Taney County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, color, race, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state laws.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WITH COMMUNICABLE DISEASE INVESTIGATION RESPONSIBILITIES – Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) seeks a full-time Public Health Nurse. Responsibilities include communicable disease investigation and response, family planning, vaccinations, pregnancy testing, lead testing, and other public health program responsibilities as assigned. Applicants must possess a current registered nursing (RN) license in the State of Missouri and a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing degree. One year of work experience in nursing, or a closely related field, is required; however, lesser experience may be considered for the right candidate. Having experience in communicable disease investigation is a plus. TCHD provides a comprehensive benefits package which includes paid vacation, holidays, sick time, LAGERS Retirement system, and health and dental insurance. To apply, please send a completed job application, letter of interest, and resume to Taney County Health Department, Attn: Human Resource Department, 320 Rinehart Rd, Branson, MO 65616. Alternatively, application items may be submitted to tiffany.stevens@lpha.mo.gov. For essential job duties and a job application, please visit <http://www.taneycohealth.org>. The Taney County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, color, race, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state laws.

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